(b) if so, what are the reasons that Assam Rifles are deploying only four battalions for counter insurgency in Tripura?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) and (b) Assam Rifles is following a uniform operational deployment pattern in the North-East under which four of the six companies per battalion are operationally deployed at any one time.

Nexus between ISI and Naxalites

5518. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Naxalities in the country are getting assistance from Pakistan's ISI as reported in the "Statesman" dated 7th March, 2000;

(b) whether Government have failed to break nexus between Naxalities and ISI activists;

(c) whether Government have failed to check acitivites of Naxalites as well as ISI in the country;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the details of assistance given to State Governments to deal with the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) There are no confirmed report in this regard.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) and (d) "Public Order" and "Police" are State subjects. In the circumstances the concerned State Governments have to devise various measures and take concerete steps to curb left wing extremist/ISI activities in the State. However, keeping in view the over all dimension which left wing extremism has assumed in some States, it has become a matter of concern for the Central Government as well. It has, therefore, set up a high level Coordination Centre, headed by the Union Home Secretary with Chief Secretaries and Directors General of Police of the seriously affected States as its members, to review and coordinate steps taken by the these States to check the left wing extremist activities, monitor the plan of action in respect of each State and to make recommendations both on devleopment and secuity aspects of the problem.

(e) 50% of the expenditure incurred by the States in combating left wing extremist activities is being reimbursed to the States under the scheme for reimbursement of Security Related Expenditure. Under this Scheme, the following amount have been released to the State Governments during 1999-2000:-

Andhra Pradesh	Rs. 30.46 crores
Bihar	Rs. 9.00 crores
Madhya Pradesh	Rs. 5.00 crores
Maharashtra	Rs. 1.96 crores
Orissa	Rs. 3.58 crores

Apart from above, State Governments are also being given financial assistance under the Scheme for Modernisation of State Police Forces. A statement indicating the funds released to the States, under this Scheme, during the years 1995-96 to 1999-2000, is enclosed.

Statement

Scheme for Modernisation of State Police Forces—funds released during the previous five financial years (1995-96 to 1999-2000)

(Rs. in lakhs)

Name of State	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
Andhra Pradesh	309.560	709.560	1209.560	709.560	354.780
Arunachal Pradesh	92.540	92.540	96.270	23.135	177.100
Assam	95.430	195.430	47.715	47.715	47.715
Bihar	308.120	333.120	783.120	633.120	508.530
Goa	29.480	79.480	Nil	Nil	Nil
Gujarat	190.180	150.180	150.180	75.090	570.300
Haryana	71.710	35.855	71.710	71.710	319.520
Himachal Pradesh	40.690	40.690	20.345	100.000	437.820
J & K	81.540	119.770	81.540	581.540	40.770
Karnataka	150.800	350.800	200.800	250.800	621.300
Kerala	113.990	113.990	113.990	Nil	189.990
Madhya Pradesh	237.820	478.820	387.820	437.820	846.360
Maharashtra	251.290	251.290	Nil	324.915	568.820
Manipur	34.630	176.630	217.315	234.630	17.315
Meghalaya	25.940	59.880	51.880	125.940	12.970

Mizoram	87.780	87.780	87.780	43.890	173.385
Nagaland	76.860	220.030	238.430	238.430	164.375
Orissa	104.610	200.000	104.610	104.610	52.305
Punjab	84.650	84.650	284.650	42.325	42.325
Rajasthan	77.460	154.920	154.920	77.460	Nil
Sikkim	16.870	8.610	43.015	8.610	Nil
Tamil Nadu	296.750	598.375	296.850	321.750	163.960
Tripura	46.530	146.530	246.530	23.265	177.795
Uttar Pradesh	Nil	536.300	626.300	436.300	951.065
West Bengal	174.770	274.770	174.770	87.385	761.500
Total:	3000.000	5500.000	5750.000	5000.000	7200.000

Explosive Trends in Cross Border Terrorism

5519. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have reviewed the position regarding explosive trends in cross border terrorism in J&K in the recent months;

(b) if so, the details of the review;

(c) the details of the fresh strategies worked out to deal with emerging growth of cross border terrorism effectively;

(d) the number of innocent persons, security personnel and militants killed during 1999-2000; and

(e) the details of action plan formulated to protect minorities from onslaught of terrorists?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) Review of crossborder terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir is a continuing process, both at the Centre and in the States. Efforts on the part of Pak Sponsored terrorist outfits to induct mercenaries from across the border into Jammu and Kashmir are continuning. However, information available with the Government does not indicate any significant spurt in the incidents of terrorist violence in the State except in the months of August and September, 1999.

(c) As part of its resolve to bring back normalcy in the State of Jammu and Kashmir, Government has embarked upon a three pronged strategy, which comprises :- proactively tackling with the help of security forces, the cross